



Zoinite *newsletter*

NEWSLETTER OF ZION UCC, SEPTEMBER 2019

175 Years of Ministry!

We are entering our 175th year of ministry here at Zion United Church of Christ!

At 175 years old, Zion UCC is continuing to grow and find new ways to do ministry in the Buffalo area.

Please join us as we prepare to celebrate this momentous anniversary. Find more information about our celebrations in this issue of the Zionite.

RALLY DAY

Rally Day is almost here!!!
September 8th, 10:30am

Following one worship service at 10:30, we'll take an ALL CHURCH PHOTO and have a church picnic. Don't miss it!

Kids:

Bring your backpacks so that we can bless them (and you)!

We're excited to start the "year" off right, please be sure to join us!

Church Events

- Sep. 1 – Last 9:30 worship
- Sep. 4 – Choir Practices
Resume, Bells @ 6:30pm,
Chancel @ 7:30pm
- Sep. 6 – Youth Group
Resumes, Fridays @ 7pm
- Sep. 8 – Rally Day! 10:30
- Sep. 11 – Bible Study
Resumes, Wed. @ 11am
- Sep. 12 – Consistory 7pm
- Sep. 14 – Men's Fellowship
8am @ Family Tree
- Sep. 15 – Two Services
Resume, 9am & 10:30am
- Sep. 21 – Women's Fellow.
- Sep. 23 – What is the Bible
Study Begins @ 7pm
- Sep. 28 – Community Din.
@4:30pm



Job Opening! Zion UCC Nursery Worker

Wanted: Persons 15 years and older to care for children 3 months to 7 years in the Nursery while parents attend Church Services. Applications available in the office.

Application deadline September 10, 2019.

"At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, 'Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?' He called a child, whom he put among them, and said, 'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.' "

Matthew 18:1-5

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, November 2nd

Theme Basket Luncheon at Columns Banquet

Hall in Elma

Time: 10:30am

Cost \$35

Buffet luncheon, 75 Theme baskets, 50/50 split, silent auction, heads and tails game.

Benefit for the United Church Manor.

See Jean King for tickets or information.

Cemetery Plot Donation

Are you in need of two cemetery plots?

Evelyn Plowe has two plots that she is giving away to anyone who would like them. The two plots are in Acacia Park Cemetery.

See Evelyn Plowe or Pastor Duffy if you're interested.

**I will always thank the Lord;
I will never stop praising him.
(Psalm 34:1)**

Pastor's Notes

Dear Church,

Lately, I've been in awe of God.

Somehow, in the past 175 years, God has guided this church body to do ministry in the Buffalo area. The Holy Spirit has been with the founders of this church and all of the members, pastors, and leaders that have been influential in Zion's ministry.

There are times like this when I can't help but stop and give God thanks for the movements of the Holy Spirit.

When we choose to let the Holy Spirit guide us, God doesn't let us down.

When we choose to be the Church, God shows up.

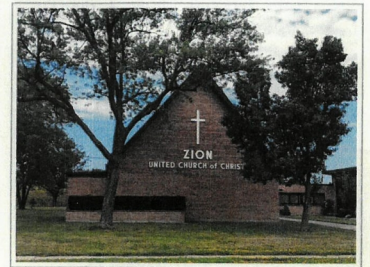
When we choose to love our neighbors, everything else falls into place.

And so I give God thanks.

Thanks for this church. Thanks for the works of the Holy Spirit. Thanks for this community of faith. Thanks for the evidence of Grace in this Church. Thanks be to God.

Will you join in giving me thanks? And the best way to give thanks is to worship.

In Christ. Pastor Elizabeth



175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Anniversary Worship Service

Zion UCC
15 Koenig Circle | Tonawanda, NY
Sunday, October 20th at 10:00 AM

Anniversary Dinner at Classics V

2425 Niagara Falls Blvd.
Amherst, NY 14228
October 20, 2019

Hors d'Oeuvres & cash bar at 3:00 PM
Dinner at 4:00 PM
Program Throughout

Single Adult Tickets \$25.00 or 2 for \$40.00
Children (5-12) \$12.00
Children under 4 are free

Checks can be made payable to
Zion UCC by October 5th

For questions, email: zionucchistory@gmail.com

Be a Hunger Fighter!

Join us on Oct 13 at 1pm at Kenmore UMC (32 Landers Rd.) for the Ken-Ton Crop Hunger Walk!

Donate online at

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/buffalony/Team/View/113802/Zion-UCC>

or see Joan Mohalski for a donation envelope.

Church Shirts

If you ordered a new church t-shirt, shirts are in!

Pick yours up on Sunday!

If you didn't order one, there is a sign up sheet in the office for a second order. Shirts are \$10.



An extraordinary gift: Hampton man becomes kidney donor

BY KAREN KADILAK

Hampton resident Bill Daugherty barely knew Dale Lynn, but gave him an extraordinary gift.

Daugherty, 50, donated a kidney for a transplant Lynn underwent May 21 at UPMC Montefiore.

Lynn, 55, of Hampton was born with only one kidney. After that went bad, he was put on the transplant list in February.

Daugherty and Lynn knew each other through the Hampton Dolphin Swim Team, where their daughters swim, and their dogs, who are siblings. Their wives met at a women's Bible study.

"We stayed in touch and (Lynn's wife) Kisle kept us updated on Dale's health," said Daugherty's wife, Heather. "Bill planned on being tested when he knew that Dale would be placed on the transplant list."

"We both just felt it was what we needed to do."

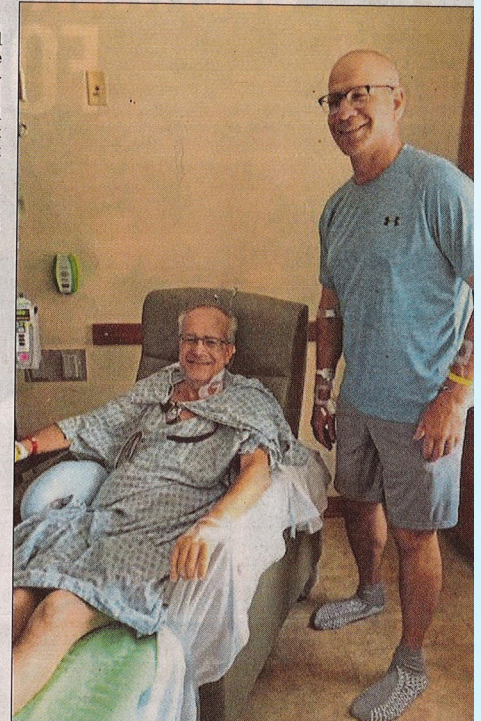
Lynn said he will always be grateful for Daugherty's selfless act.

Dr. Amit Tevar, chief of kidney and pancreas transplant at UPMC, performed the surgery.

"(Lynn and Daugherty) are truly wonderful people," he said.

Tevar said living donors are becoming more common and have been found in church groups and gym clubs and among neighbors. He said a dozen or so of the 200 kidney transplants performed at UPMC each year are made possible by non-direct donors, who do not know the identity of recipients.

Donors undergo laparoscopic surgery.



Kidney transplant patient Dale Lynn, left, is visited by donor Bill Daugherty.

Aja Lynn, 14, said what Daugherty did for her father was incredible, and that people reached out to drive her to places.

"(It is) good to have a really big community to care for you," she said.

To be a living donor, you must be between the ages of 18 and 69 and in general good health.

To learn how to give, visit

UPMC.com/LivingDonorKidney<<http://UPMC.com/LivingDonorKidney>> and click Register to be a Living Donor.

Phone: 412-647-5800, fax: 412-692-4154. Living Donor Registration: livingdonorreg.upmc.com<<http://livingdonorreg.upmc.com>>.

Karen Kadilak is a Tribune-Review contributor.

Article: son of church member, Bill Daugherty

Bible Studies

Wednesday Bible Study

Everyone is welcome! Join us every Wednesday at 11:00am resuming on September 11th.

What is the Bible?

Join Barb Miller for a study of Rob Bell's book, *What is the Bible?* The study begins on September 23rd and occurs every Monday night at 7pm for 6 weeks. Read the 1st chapter before the study on the 23rd.